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# **AUDITOR TO LOOK** INTO BOOKS OF

Price Committee Invites Coal Dealers Who Still Sell at Government Price of \$6.85 Per Ton to Testify.

The Memphis Retail Coal Dealers association has not been able yet to convince the coal price committee of the Chamber of Commerce that \$1.5 per ton for bituminous coal from the Kentucky mines is not a profileering price. Consequently the investigation begun by the committee Weanesday and resumed Friday, must continue.

In executive session following the executive session following the committee decided to employ a competnt auditor to examine the books of the coal firms that are appealing for and charging the \$7.25 per ton price rather than the government fixed price of \$5.5. It will be the duty of this auditor to verify figures on gross margin, net profits, income taxes and operating expenses already submitted by the call cealers to the committee: to inscertain the capital stock invested in the various concerns, the net earnings on capital stock, and what portion of these earnings accrue from bituminous coal; what other lines of husiness, if any handled in combination with the business of soiling soft coal, and what portion of "overhead" expenses of the soil business. The auditor will also be expected to compile comparative figures on expenses of the past five years. comparative fig- offerings were much enjoyed. coal business. The auditor will also be expected to compile comparative figures on expenses of the past five years. The selection of the auditor and determination of his method of procedure were left to W. H. Matthews, chairman, and W. I. Moody, secretary, of the price committee. They stated Friday afternoon that they expected to select the cultive Satestary.

day afternoon that they expected to select the auditar Saturday. In the short address with which he opened the hearing Friday afternoon Mr. Matthews explained why the investigation must proceed further before a decision can be rendered. He said that the first evidence submitted by the coal dealers to substantiate the \$1.25 per ton price for coal had persuaded some members of the committee that it was a fair price and that they should ratify it, while on the other hand the low earnings and infinitesimal profits which the coal dealers evidence had shown had aroused the suspicion of others on the committee. Because of this divergence of views the examhad shown had aroused the suspicion of others on the committee. Because of this divergence of views the examination of the coal dealers' affairs must proceed until such time as skepticals were convinced or the trustful disliusioned. "They are all honorable men," the price committee sats of the coal dealers, as Antony said of Brutus and his colleagues, but in their judicial capacity they can accept nothing as true that is not proved by satisfactory evidence.

Of Muscle Shoals oducts during peace time was urged sterday by Secretary Baker before a secial house committee investigating ar expenditures. An appropriation of 2,000,000 he said, would be necessary construct a suphuric acid plant and a furnish necessary working capital oreate a quasi-public corporation 'in hich the stock would be held by the

the production."
In reply to Chairman Graham, who sked if the war department planned by "junk" the plants if an additional ppropriation, were not granted to conduct construction. Serviary Baker said but several American firms were able to purchase the property, and the thereign Cyanimid company was eager We want to make these nitrate ants a paying proposition." Secretary aker said, "and it would be far more fraintenance and control than to sell them e private concerns. Continuation of ne plant is necessary for two reasons, at because the Chilean mitrate desits are not kexhaustible, in fact, we heat ore already has been extracted, and second, because the United States annot depend on imported nitrates in is next emergency. During the warrery slip used to import nitrate was no less to carry food supplies and quipment to the armies." losses, one is cents per ton. The lowest ther is cents per ton. The lowest profit, where a profit was made, was shown to be is cents per ton. The figures were based on the gross margin of \$2.70 per ton, which the dealers say they must have to do business suc-

citations were not made by

All but one of the concerns cited All but one of the concerns cited and show a less upon the basis of a gross margin of \$2.30 per ton, all owed by the government in its price \$6.85 per ton for Kentucky coal, are losses would range from \$4 cents r ton, with only one gain, that of ree cents per ton.

three cents per ton.

These figures as compared with figures for the 1918 period of government control and \$6.85 coal with \$2.20 margin, show losses and some small profits. The highest profit during this period was 30 cents on the ton, these figures state, and the lowest 20 cents per ton. Three out of the five show a 168s of from three cents per ton to 74 cents per ton.

One concern furnished the enigma of continuation in business since 1918, while continuation in business since 1918, while continuation of the five money on every

One concern furnished the enigma of continuation in business since 1918, while continually losing money on every ton of coal sold. The dealers' counsel will furnish the name of this dealer.

Mr. Canale and members of the dealers, committee, W. T. C. Berlin, June Rudisill and W. J. Prescott, were quizzed by members of the price committee relative to the evidence submittee relative to the evidence submitted. Judge Julian C. Wilson, Judge John E. McCall and Maj. J. M. Walsh chiefly conducted the examination. The two judge displayed a particular interest in the cost to the dealers of handling coal, while Maj. Walsh raised a question of profits which aroused much on of profits which aroused much

Maj. Waish called the attention of the dealers to the fact that their own igures show that during the year 1919. figures show that during the year 1919 they had at various times enjoyed gross margins over and endured gross margins over and endured gross margins over and endured gross margins under the \$2.70 figure, which they maintain is the fair, proper and minipulm gross margin for their business. Ep to April, 1919, when the government price of \$6.85 was in force and cost was \$2.75 at the mines, with freight \$1.80 per ton, the gross margin was \$2.20. Then when government control was removed, the cost of coal at the mines was reduced to \$2.25, increasing the gross margin to the cost dealers to \$2.80. But the dealers did not pass this reduction of price at the mines on to the consumer. They took the additional 50-leent profit per ton as their own. Then in September, 19.3, the price at the mine went back to \$2.75 per ton, at which time the dealers raised the price of Kentucky coal to \$7.25 per ton, by this raise falling to cents per ton short of the gross margin which they were getting between April and September. He went at the know why the same profit wan not continued at all times.

Both Mr. Rudsill and Mr. Canale copialned that the additional profit created by the dealers as a matter of good husiness. They went on to show that conditions were very unsettled, that it was very hard for a busilited, that it was very hard for a busilited in the properties of the gross and the profit of the gross of the German people.

DIXIE REVENUE AGENTS

GET BUSY IN BROOKLYN

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Eleven revenue agents from the "moonshine country" of Kentucky Tennessee and West Virginia, ordered from the "moonshine country" of Kentucky Tennessee and West Virginia, ordered from the "moonshine country" of Kentucky Tennessee and West Virginia, ordered from the "moonshine country" of Kentucky Tennessee and West Virginia, ordered from the "moonshine country" of Kentucky Tennessee and West Virginia, ordered from the "moonshine country" of Kentucky Tennessee and West Virginia, ordered from the "moonshine country" of Kentucky Tennessee and West Virg

mines after April 1. 1919, had been absorbed by the dealers as a matter of good business. They went on to show that conditions were very unsettled, that it was very hard for a business man to figure very close margins at that time and that furthermore the markin of \$2.30 allowed under the price of \$2.75 at the mines worked a harding on the dealers from which the relaction of cost at the mines agare the calers an opportunity to recover.

A new member on the coal price compittee, C. J. Barnett, was introduced by Mr. Matthews at the opening of the said. "It's none of our business what kind of a government Russia has,"

#### Originality And Vim Dominated Sousa Concerts

BY GEORGE WILLIAMSON.

BY CHAS. S. HAYDEN.
(Staff Carrespondent).
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 3.—The contest for minority leader of the senate between Senators Oscar W. Underwood, Alabama, and Gilbert M. Hitchcock Nebraska, promises to be close and has developed some acrimony. It is to be decided at a caucus of Democratic senators called for Jan. 15.
Both Senators Shields and McKellar have indicated that they favor the selection of Senator Underwood, and while it is doubtful if Senator Shields can be here on that date Senator McKellar expects to vote for his colleague from Alabama.

true that is not proved by satisfactory evidence.

In the course of the hearing which followed during which Phil M. Canalc, counsel for the dealers, presented figures on net profits, the members of the committee complained that they had not yet been able to get hold of anything that would give them a satisfactory insight into the chnditton of the dealers' affairs. In other words, no evidence has yet been introduced into which they could "set their teeth."

The price committee is very anxious to get every sprig of evidence that might be of value, and accordingly asked the press to invite those coal dealers of the city who continue to adhere to the government price of \$6.85 per ton to appear before the committee on Monday afternoon at 4, o'clork and give the benefit of their viswpoint. To such of these whose names can be secured, the committee, Mr. Matthews stated, will send a special invitation by letter, urging them to appear on Monday, in Boom A. second floor of the Chamber of Commerce.

Monday, in Room A, second floor of the Chamber of Commerce.

Another urgent invitation was also issued to the consumers who may have information of value to appear before the committee at the Monday hearing and file their evidence.

Figures compiled from the books of five dealers showing the cost per ton for handling of coal in the fiscal year of April, 1918, to April, 1918, and five months in 1919, June, July, August, September and October, showed that in no instance had any dealer made a net profit of more than 43 cents and certain instances where there had been a loss. One concern showed the profit of the centre per ton, while two showed losses, one 16 centre per ton, and any other 41 rents per ton. The lowest profit, where a profit was made, was publican claim that "the South is in Hitchcock more, but Underwood less. The fact that Hitchcock is a Westerner is being used with some effect, for it is claimed the selection of Underwood would give ground for the Republican claim that "the South is in the saddle." It is known this has swung some votes away from Underwood, for on the adjournment of congress in November his friends, having checked up, declared he had piedges from 24 Democratic senators, or one more than enough to assure his election. The claim nov is that he has 21 votes piedged and it is conceded that Hitchcock has 19. This leaves seven votes unpledged.

While it is deemed doubtful if President Wilson will take a hand in this context it is realized his wish. 'if known, would decide it. Despite complimentary messages he has sent Senator Hitchcock it is doubtful whether the president is altogether satisfied with the Nebraskan's conduct of the treaty fight. Up to this time it has failed of success. On the other hand, Underwood was a candidate before the Baltimore convention, and while he never failered in his allegines to the

I inderwood was a candidate before the Baltimere convention, and while he never faltered in his allegiance to the party standard-hearer, it has been a matter of comment that the president has never sought to utilize the unquestioned ability of the Alabamian in matters of interest to the administration.

#### ALLIES WILL DEMAND KAISER ON NEW STATUS

THE HAGUE, Jan. 3. (By the Asso-ciated Press.)—H. Carton de Wiatt former Belgian minister of justice whose opinion is considered reliable in whose opinion is considered reliable in Dutch circles, writes in the Libre Belgique of Brussels, that the alifed demand for the extradition of former Emperor William, which is expected in the near future, will not be based on any existing international law or on stipulation in The Hague convention of 1907, but on a "new moral right."

The former minister hints that it is the probable intention of the allies not to punish the former emperor severely, as he says, this would make him a

## POLICEMEN TO DRILL AND LEARN TO SHOOT

Serg! Bee was thinking of the work ahead of him in getting the polleemen to put some semblance of a military character in their appearance. It's been a long time since the police force was drilled or taught to march to and from the central station when going on or off duty. Way back when John Riechman was fire and police commissioner, the late Capt. Kit Deffrey was police drillmaster and under his orders the police force within two months was able to make a fine show-ing.

But as the policemen on the day re-ilef lined up Friday morning, and when the night relief answered at roll call that night, the ordinary bystander would have bet that it will take more Caused Woman's Death.

When Theodore Pinstein, proprietor of the American Pharmacy, Beale avenue, has a preliminary bearing on a charge of murder, in city court next Tuesday, he will have to account for the presence of \$4\$ per cent of wood alcohol in "Jamaica ginger," which was lottled and on a shelf in his store where goods are kept for sale to the public. For analysis by the city chemist, F. A. Mantel disclosed that the fluid was \$4\$ per cent wood alcohol—a deadly poison. The charge of murder was placed against Pinstein last Wednesday, when he was arrested by Detectives Bishop and Joyce, and Motorcop Jack Ward, following the death the Sunday before of Mrs. Bertha Randle, \$0 Vance avenue, who drank Jamaica ginger.

Police charge that the woman's husband, E. I. Randle, purchased the deadly bottle at Pinstein's drug store, which is located at 177 Beale avenue. Pinstein's cierk, Irvin Bodenheimer, 19, admitted that he sold the bottle of deadly Jamaica ginger. He said the American pharmacy purchased some Jamaica ginger from wholesale drug houses, but that because they could get only 12 two-ounce bottles at a time, Pinstein compounded other Jamaica ginger to sell. The police think Pinstein made up the Jamaica ginger with wood alcohol. Wood alcohol costs much less than pure grain alsohol.

The bottle the detectives had analysed came from the shelf on which were paregoric and other Jamaica ginger for would have bet that it will take more, than two months to get some of the men into light marching order.

When Mayor Paine was introduced part of the men took off their caps, some of them merely stood up a little straighter, and others attempted a military salute, in which mest of them failed dismally.

Sergt. Bee, however, is an experienced drillmaster, He will not try to work a miracle, but by going slowly.

enced drillmaster. He will not try to work a miracle, but by going slowly, expects to have the men in much better physical condition and to salute with a snap in a short time.

Besides the physical training, he will put the men through regular target epractice and teach them the proper use of the revolver. He is also to be in charge of the general discipline of the department. No police officer may hereafter indulge in a smoke while in uniform, and there will be no loafing or lounging while on duty.

#### FIND WOMAN DEAD; SUSPECT POISON CANDY

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 3.—The police The bottle the detectives had analyzed came from the shelf on which were paregoric and other Jamaics ginger for sale. The bottle alleged to have been sold to Mrs. Randle was not labeled.

Samples from two barrels of alcohol in Pinstein's store, and from a can of "White Rose Menthanol," also found there, both showed nuder analysis to be 34 per cent pure wood alcohol.

The police are making an exhaustive investigation to determine whether or not say of the other six deaths from alcohol poisoning, which have occurred in the last three weeks, have any found in the back yard of the Heiss home. of the policy and the policy and the policy are making an exhaustive investigation to determine whether or not any of the other six deaths from alcohol poisoning, which have occurred in the last three weeks, have any lead which will connect them with the American pharmacy.

Home at New Orleans \* Succumbs.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 3.-Maj. Har d S. Hetrick, shot by an unidentified Maj. Hetrick was shot in the head when he grappled with a man who rushed into his home at 2026 Robert street, apparently in search of another person. The intruder fired at close ange and escaped when his victim fell o the floor Physicians yesterday, after Maj. Hetick regained consciousness, were hone.

rick regained consciousness, were hope-ful that he would recover, although his wound was regarded as extremely dan-gerous. Last night his condition be-came worse and death came carly to-

day.

Maj. Hetrick steadfastly maintained that the man who shot him was seeking another person and that there was no mysters connected with the affair. The major was a West Point graduate, a native of kaneas City, Mo., and served as a colonel of engineers in the national army during the war.

#### DENIKINE OVERTHROWN AS RUSSIAN LEADER

LONDON, Jan. 3.—Gen. Denikine's government in Southern Russia has been overthrown and Gen. Romanovsky has been chosen to replace Gen. Denikine as an M-Bolshevik chief, according to a wireless dispatch received here from Moscow quoting advices from Ta-

from Moscow quoting advices from Taganrog.

The report indicates that owing to defeats along the front, a coup detat occurred as Gen. Denikine's headquarters and that his government has been replaced by a group known as the "vozsozindenye rossie." - meaning the "regeneration of Russia."

Gen. Denikine's fall is probably a result of his recent defeats by the Bol'ssleviki in Southern Russia. During the past autumn the Denikine forces moved

#### JACKSON ELKS PLAY THRICE TO FULL HOUSE

JACKSON, Tenn., Jan. 3. (Spl.)-The hird performance of the Elka' charity ninstrel was presented to another capacity audience at the Marlowe theater last night, the big gathering expressing no less appreciation than was evidenced by the repeated plaudits at the first performance. Encores were frequent and the laughter of those who witnessed the show was almost con-The entertainment will be presented

The entertainment will be presented again tonight. The patronage demanded a fourth performance and the Elks agreed to stage the show that every person in Jackson might be given an epportunity of witnessing the big concourse of fun-makers. Much extra expense and trouble has been necessitated to present the fourth performance and course of fun-makers. Much extra expense and trouble has been necessitated to present the fourth performance and it is hoped by those who appreciate the creditable production of local talent and the charity work to which the proceeds will be devoted that another capacity audience will great the comedians at the final performance.

The "Baby" scene presented by Missibattic Clay Long and Little Missibattic Clay Long Gates, prompted by Addison Johnson, has been popular at both performances. The entire "Inside Inn" cast, including "Rags" Chiles, Hattle Clay Long, Addison Johnson, Missibattic Clay Long, Addison J

The entire performance, which ranks

The entire performance, which raints with the production of a professional troupe, is described by Director Stevens, representative of the Bren Producing Co., as the best home-talent minstrei that the company has staged. The musical accompaniments are also very creditable. The minstrel committee in charge of the show includes Ewing Griffin, Thomas F. Cade and J. G. Watsen. The committee stated today that there are still plenty of good seats on sale for each of the two performances.

#### **BINGHAMTON TAXPAYERS** OWE MONEY TO MEMPHIS

which the dog evidently had licked. The police are holding for further examination a man identified as W. W. Smalley, wool manufacturer of this city, by found in the back yard of the Helss home.

The discovery of the woman's body was brought about through a mysterious telephone call received by William A. Alien, her brother-in-law.

PRINT MORROW DENIAL OF G. O. P. CANDIDACY

ORDER RAILROAD SOLD.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 3.—The Kansas City Western railway, the interior urban electric line which runs between kansas City and Fort Leavenworth, Kas. has been ordered sold at public auction by Judge Pollock in the United States district court in Kansas City, Kas. The sale will take place Feb. 16.

Which the dog evidently had licked. The past autumn the Denkine forces moved steadily northward, defeating the soviet troops in many battles and apparently threatening Moscow.

PRINT MORROW DENIAL

OF G. O. P. CANDIDACY

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 3.—The Louisville Times prints a denial from Gov. Edwin P. Morrow that he is a candidate for the Republican vice-presidential nomination. Mr. Morrow is dential connection and this name used in that connection and this name used in that connection and while the past autumn the Denkine forces moved the sevent transite and apparently the city of Memphis. The finances of Binghamton now swe their taxes to the city of Memphis. The city of Memphis. The city of Memphis. The care the city of Memphis. The city of Memphis. The city of Memphis. The city of Memphis. The city of Memphis on Dec. 1. We care the city of Memphis on Dec. 1. We care the city of Memphis. The

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